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Please note: The Information Disclosure Statement filed 04/01/02 has been considered, as all of the references have been located. A signed copy of the PTO-1449 is attached hereto.

The enclosures to the reply filed 04/02/02 were also located with the IDS references. Therefore, the communication of 07/10/02 is vacated. An action responsive to the amendment filed 04/01/02 is to follow.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brenda Brumback whose telephone number is (703) 306-3220. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196. Papers related to this application may be submitted to Group 1600 by facsimile transmission. The Official FAX telephone number is (703) 872-9306 and the After Final FAX telephone number is (703) 872-9307. FAX machines will be available to receive transmissions 24 hours a day. In compliance with 1096 OG 30, the filing date accorded to each OFFICIAL fax transmission will be determined by the FAX machine's stamped date found on the last page of the transmission, unless that date is a Saturday, Sunday or Federal Holiday with the District of Columbia, in which case the OFFICIAL date of receipt will be the next business day.

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